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In re Application of:

Valery Dubin et al.

Serial No.: 09/970723 Not yet assignedFiled: Herewith 10-3-01For: ELECTROPLATING BATH  
COMPOSITION AND METHOD OF USING

Which is a Divisional of Application of:

Serial No: 09/560,671

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Washington, D.C. 20231Examiner: Not yet assigned LeaderArt Unit: Not yet assigned 1741PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that this Preliminary Amendment be entered prior to examination of the above-identified patent application.

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**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1-18 without prejudice.

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Respectfully submitted,

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